

YOUR GIFT CAN MAKE A GREATER IMPACT IN OUR PD COMMUNITY ON ERIE GIVES, 8/8/23!!



SPECIAL CALL TO PARKINSON PARTNERS SUPPORTERS

Parkinson Partners of NW PA's mission is to encourage, educate and support people with Parkinson's disease (PD) and their families in the region. We remain the only nonprofit in the region focused on the PD community. This year brought many funding challenges so your support is vital. Erie Gives is a special opportunity for you to give to Parkinson Partners and a portion of the prorated match will be added to your gift.



"NOT ALL PATIENTS WITH PD ARE CANDIDATES AND BENEFIT FROM THERAPIES SUCH AS DEEP BRAIN STIMULATION, BUT ALL PATIENTS WITH PD ARE CANDIDATES AND BENEFIT FROM COMMUNITY PROGRAMS," DIMITRIOS NACOPOULOS, MD, NEUROLOGIST/MOVEMENT DISORDER SPECIALIST, UPMC HAMOT



Parkinson Partners' Impact



10 Million

10 million people worldwide have PD



6 Minutes

Every 6 minutes someone is diagnosed with PD in the USA



1992

Parkinson Partners of NW PA held its first meeting in April 1992 and Erie's first PD support group was formed



Respite Care

Our Respite Care Programs provides grants for in-home care so those with PD are attended to while care partners can see to their own needs.



Support

We bring people together to share experiences, support each other, and make sure no one walks this path alone.

The Path of Hope



1 Million

1 million people have PD in the USA, more than MS, MD and ALS combined.



Erie Fact

Approximately 10,000-15,000 people have PD in the western Pennsylvania region.



Info & Referral

Every year Parkinson Partners helps thousands through the information and referral line, monthly newsletter, seminars, support groups and more.



PD Wellness

Joined by our partners, Parkinson Partners offers a PD-specific wellness program with one-on-one help directed by OT/PTs.



PD Rates ↑

Scientists estimate that the rates of PD could double by 2040. Resources and services will need to keep pace with the increase.



Parkinson Partners Supporters:

It's that time of year! Erie Gives is right around the corner and we are asking for your help. Please consider a donation to Parkinson Partners of NW PA during Erie Gives 2023.

Erie Gives began in 2011 in honor of The Erie Community Foundation's 75th Anniversary. It has been an incredible success and last year raised \$8,178,207 from 11,234 donors. You helped us be a part of that success as Parkinson Partners was able to raise \$12,085 from 97 donors. You can help us continue that success this year!

Erie Gives will take place on **Tuesday, August 8th between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.** During the 12-hour period of online giving, The Erie Community Foundation and other generous donors will match a percentage of your donation. All you have to do is go online at www.ErieGives.org and select **Parkinson Partners** as your charity of choice that day.

The Erie Community Foundation has decided to continue to accept checks. **Checks must be payable to The Erie Community Foundation**, must be accompanied by a Erie Gives Check Contribution Form (Page 4), and must be turned in to The Erie Community Foundation at 459 West 6th St., Erie, PA 16507 by close of business Monday, August 7th. Let us know if you need any help filling out the form or have any questions.

2023 Erie Gives donations to Parkinson Partners will benefit our PD-specific respite care program among other important services. One participant explains why these programs are so important to the PD community:

- *"The PPNWPA respite program has been a blessing. I have used it every year and it has provided much needed hours to enjoy a lunch with friends, a trip to the zoo with grandchildren and necessities like doctor's appointments. Home health services are expensive and this program is greatly appreciated."* Debbie Fleming, PD Care Partner

Thank you in advance for considering a donation on this unique giving day to Parkinson Partners of NW PA. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us 814-899-3030.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director



PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING PARKINSON PARTNERS DURING ERIE GIVES 2023!
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